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SUBJECT: (C/NF) AFTERMATH OF PRESIDENT ZELAYA'S RETURN TO

HONDURAS (C-AL9-02049)

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11. (S) WASHINGTON ANALYSTS APPRECIATE COVERAGE OF THE ONGOING CRISIS RELATED TO PRESIDENT ZELAYA'S RETURN TO HONDURAS. WE ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE PROSPECTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRING BETWEEN ZELAYA SUPPORTERS AND HONDURAN SECURITY FORCES. AS TIME AND RESOURCES ALLOW, WE WOULD WELCOME POSTS' INSIGHTS INTO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. MANY THANKS FROM WASHINGTON.

1A. (U) HONDURAS

- 1) (C/NF) WHAT HAS BEEN THE REACTION OF THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES, PARTICULARLY PEPE LOBO AND ELVIN SANTOS, CONCERNING ZELAYA'S RETURN?
- 2) (C/NF) TO WHAT EXTENT ARE ZELAYA'S SUPPORTERS MOBILIZING? IS THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT GROWING SINCE ZELAYA'S RETURN?
- ¶B. (U) BRAZIL
- 1) (C/NF) WHAT HAS BEEN THE REACTION OF SENIOR BRAZILIAN OFFICIALS, INCLUDING PRESIDENT LULA, TO ZELAYA'S RETURN? WHAT KIND OF INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE, IF ANY, IS THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT RECEIVING?
- ¶C. (U) VENEZUELA
- 1) (C/NF) WHAT HAS BEEN THE REACTION OF SENIOR VENEZUELAN OFFICIALS, INCLUDING PRESIDENT CHAVEZ, TO ZELAYA'S RETURN?
- ¶D. (U) COSTA RICA
- 1) (C/NF) HOW IS COSTA RICAN PRESIDENT ARIAS RESPONDING TO ZELAYA'S RETURN? WHAT DOES HE ENVISION IS HIS ROLE IN THE NEW PHASE OF THE SITUATION? HAS HIS SUPPORT OF THE SAN JOSE ACCORDS CHANGED SINCE ZELAYA'S RETURN, IF SO HOW?
- 12. (U) PLEASE CITE C-AL9-02049 IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF REPORTING IN RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS. CLINTON